
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

**PROPOSED SUB A'S FOR S-924 AND S-228 HAS BEEN ADDED
S-705, S-228, AND S-715 AND H-5191 HAVE BEEN ADDED**

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, June 13, 2023

TIME: 3:00 PM

PLACE: Room 211 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [64](#)

BY Cano, Murray, DiMario, Lawson, Acosta, DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT {LC275/1} (Provides that the permanent foundation educational aid program would provide state funding for school-based mental health services pursuant to specified conditions.)

02/01/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

03/03/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/07/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [80](#)

BY Felag, Ciccone, Sosnowski, DiPalma, Burke, McKenney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX {LC846/1} (Increases the state earned-income credit as of January 1, 2024 to sixteen percent (16%) of the federal earned-income credit, not to exceed the amount of state income tax.)

02/01/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

02/24/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/28/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [255](#)

BY DiMario, Lawson, Lauria, Ujifusa, Valverde, Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES {LC1054/1} (Provides that starting December 2024, renewal fee for a pharmacist shall not be more than \$250, that fee for nonresident pharmacy license not be less than \$625 and pharmacy intern licenses valid for 5 years and technician licenses valid for 2 years.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/17/2023 Meeting postponed

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04/28/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/04/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [258](#)

BY Sosnowski, Valverde, DiMario, Miller, F. Lombardi, Gallo, Acosta, Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATIONAL EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT {LC1541/1} (Provides for an appropriation by the general assembly in the amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to the various school districts and municipalities to employ additional social workers.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/05/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/09/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [550](#)

BY LaMountain, Britto, F. Lombardi, Burke, Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE RHODE ISLAND SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FUND {LC2006/1} (Expands the definition of a minority business and allows corporation to allocate more than 20k to a small business development fund.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/16/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [561](#)

BY Cano, DiMario, Valverde, Quezada, Acosta, Murray, DiPalma, Zurier, Felag, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES {LC2038/1} (Appropriates \$1,875,000 for the creation of a 9-8-8 suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline within the department of behavioral healthcare, developmental disabilities and hospitals (BHDDH).)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/17/2023 Meeting postponed

04/19/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/25/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [707](#)

(Dept. of Revenue)

BY Acosta, Miller, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- CIGARETTE AND OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX {LC2379/1} (Provides that the sale of cannabis be exempt from taxation under chapter 20 of title 44 relating to taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products.)

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/05/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/09/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [709](#)

(Dept. of Administration)

BY Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- STATE PURCHASES {LC1573/1} (Provides that the maximum aggregate amounts for small purchases within the chapter on state purchases be adjusted to not exceed \$25,000 for construction and \$10,000 for all other purchases.)

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/19/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/25/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [714](#)

(Dept. of Administration)

BY Britto, F. Lombardi, Lawson, Ciccone, DiPalma, DiMario, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS {LC1572/1} (Allows state employees the ability to make an after tax contribution to a qualified Roth contribution program as a part of a deferred compensation plan.)

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/28/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/02/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [924](#)

BY Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC1799/1} (Subjects to taxation real property owned by non-profit institutions of higher education/nonprofit hospitals also amends charters issued by the general assembly to non-profit institutions/hospitals.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/04/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5463](#)

(Dept. of Administration)

BY Edwards, Bennett, Casey, Ackerman, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- STATE PURCHASES {LC1298/1} (Provides that the maximum aggregate amounts for small purchases within the chapter on state purchases be adjusted to not exceed \$25,000 for construction and \$10,000 for all other purchases.)

02/08/2023 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

03/10/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/14/2023 Meeting postponed

03/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/17/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/28/2023 Scheduled for consideration

05/04/2023 Committee recommends passage

05/12/2023 Placed on House Calendar

05/18/2023 House read and passed

06/06/2023 Referred to Senate Finance

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5951](#)

(Office of Veterans Services)

BY Azzinaro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC2187/1} (Includes the national guard in the definition of who is eligible for veterans' exemptions.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/10/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/16/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/05/2023 Scheduled for consideration

05/09/2023 Committee recommends passage

05/12/2023 Placed on House Calendar

05/18/2023 House read and passed

06/06/2023 Referred to Senate Finance

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [228](#)

BY Murray, LaMountain, McKenney, Tikoian, Euer, Sosnowski, F. Lombardi, Ciccone, DiMario, Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS {LC1450/1} (Allows participating municipalities to elect to its employees the deferred compensation plans offered by the state.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

04/28/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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05/02/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/09/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [705](#)

(Dept. of Revenue)

BY Tikoian, Britto, Burke, DiPalma, McKenney, Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC2278/1} (Amends the reimbursements to cities, towns and fire districts from state revenues for lost tax revenue due to any phase-out or reduction of the motor vehicle excise tax.)

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

05/05/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/09/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

06/10/2023 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5191](#)

BY Casimiro, Noret, McEntee, Spears, Cotter, Kazarian, Solomon, Alzate, Potter, McGaw

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES {LC534/1} (Provides that starting December 2024, renewal fee for a pharmacist shall not be more than \$250, that fee for nonresident pharmacy license not be less than \$625 and pharmacy intern licenses valid for 5 years and technician licenses valid for 2 years.)

01/19/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/21/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/25/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/27/2023 Scheduled for consideration

05/30/2023 Committee recommends passage

06/02/2023 Placed on House Calendar

06/06/2023 House read and passed

06/07/2023 Referred to Senate Finance

06/11/2023 Scheduled for consideration

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5200 SUB A as amended](#)

(Governor)

BY Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024 {LC715/A/1}

01/19/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/31/2023 Scheduled for consideration

06/02/2023 Committee recommends passage of Sub A

06/02/2023 Placed on House Calendar

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06/09/2023 House passed Sub A as amended (floor amendment)

06/09/2023 Referred to Senate Finance

06/09/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [715](#)

(Dept. of Revenue)

BY Britto, F. Lombardi, Lawson, Ciccone, DiPalma, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE {LC2280/1} (Makes statutory amendments throughout several sections of the general laws relating to the department of revenue changing the references of "collection unit" to "central collections unit.")

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

06/09/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

Senate Bill No. [924 SUB A](#)

{LC1799/A/1}

Senate Bill No. [228 SUB A](#)

{LC1450/A/1}

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL:

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 2:00 PM on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

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